



## Ferndale Area School District Factsheet 2023

*Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools.  
It ranks 45<sup>th</sup> in the country in state share of education costs.*

### What does this mean for the Ferndale Area School District?

**22%**

Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Ferndale Area.

Number of times Ferndale Area has raised property taxes in the last 12 years.

**11**

**450**

Ferndale Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).

The increase in state funding for Ferndale Area if it were fully funded by the state.

**\$2.3M**

**Let your elected officials know you support more funding for your schools and sensible property tax relief:**

These elected officials currently represent the communities this school district serves.

#### Senators

Sen. Wayne Langerholc (R)

#### Representatives

Rep. Frank Burns (D)  
Rep. James Rigby (R)

### How much is spent to educate district students?

**\$19,454**

Current spending per student in Ferndale Area.

Ferndale Area rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being the highest).

**108**



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Number of  
students

**637**

Performance:  
Students on  
Grade Level

Reading:  
3rd

**50%**

Math:  
7th

**26%**

Child Poverty Rate

School  
District

**28%**

Statewide

**17%**

**HERE IS WHAT HAS CHANGED FOR THE DISTRICT SINCE 2011 WHEN THE STATE  
DRAMATICALLY REDUCED EDUCATION FUNDING:**

**+ \$1,619,861**  
**+ 26%**

Increase in instructional costs for  
the district

**+ \$315,267**  
**+ 5%**

Change in state funding to cover  
instructional costs

**+ 28%**  
**+ \$379,980**

Change in expenditures for special education

**+ 32%**  
**+\$148,519**

Change in state revenue dedicated to special  
education

**+ 172%**  
**+ \$290,824**

Change in payments to charter schools